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Sources on Maps

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1. As a result of a D/G Staff Meeting the following policy has been established in regard to the designation of sources on maps produced by D/G/C.

A. When D/G/C compiles and constructs a non-NIS map from sources supplied by an Agency outside of CIA, a reference to that fact will automatically be included on the map. The phrase "data supplied by ----" will follow the CIA reference line in the lower left corner of the map outside the border. Within the image of the map the major source(s) will be indicated. This usually should consist of the one or two (possibly three) major sources used along with the indication of "and others" when appropriate.

B. The procedure for handling final NIS maps is the same as above except that the phrase "data supplied by ----" will be placed within the image of the map, in the legend box whenever possible.

C. When a map is produced from sources supplied by CIA, no reference will be made to that effect. The listing of the major sources within the image of the map will be treated as that above.

D. NIS base maps will carry source references in the same manner as that described above in regard to the substantive data.

E. Reference to base sources on substantive maps will be indicated along with those for the substantive data when it is deemed necessary. This will usually apply in cases where the area being mapped is poorly covered with basic reference data.

2. In the manner described above an attempt will thereby be made to give the map user a more accurate evaluation of the map he is using. In the cases where the data is supplied by another Agency other than CIA, proper responsibility will be assigned to the map. Where CIA is responsible for the data the usual reference line will suffice.

3. It is recognized that there will be exceptions to the above policy, however, it is felt that those can be kept at a minimum.

4. Implementation of this policy will not apply to any map currently beyond the stage of compilation.

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